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SUBJECT: PRISONER EXCHANGE AGREEMENT WITH BOLIVIA

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1. EMBASSY NOTES FROM WIRELESS FILE THAT HOUSE PASSED LEGISLATION TO IMPLEMENT EXECUTION OF PRISON SENTENCES AGREEMENT WITH MEXICO AND CANADA AND SENT IT TO PRESIDENT OCT 25. EMBASSY PRESUMES THAT PRESIDENT'S SIGNATURE OF THE BILL WILL CLEAR THE WAY FOR SPEEDY NEGOTIATION OF SIMILAR TREATY WITH BOLIVIA. GOB HAS ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS EXPRESSED NOT ONLY WILLINGNESS BUT EAGERNESS TO NEGOTIATE A TREATY, MOST RECENTLY IN INTERVIEW BETWEEN AMBASSADOR AND MININ PEREDA OCT 26 (REFTEL). EMBASSY'S UNDERSTANDING HAS BEEN THAT ONLY THE PASSAGE OF THE LEGISLATION STOOD IN THE WAY OF BEGINNING NEGOTIATIONS FOR PRISONER EXCHANGE TREATY WITH BOLIVIA, AND THAT A NEGOTIATING TEAM WOULD BE SENT FROM THE US FOR THIS PURPOSE. EMBASSY ESTIMATES THAT IF TREATY WERE IN EFFECT NOW, APPROXIMATELY 11 AMCIT PRISONERS (OUT OF A TOTAL OF 40) WOULD BENEFIT FROM ITS PROVISIONS IMMEDIATELY.

2. ONE ASPECT OF US-BOLIVIAN TREATY WHICH I WOULD APPRECIATE LEGAL ADVISORS OFFICE EXPLORING ASAP IS CONDITIONAL LIBERTY. IF STRAIGHT DEPORTATION OF AMCITS ON CONDITIONAL LIBERTY CAN NOT BE WORKED OUT EITHER BECAUSE OF GOB PROBLEMS OR CONCERN JUDGES WILL COMPENSATE FOR THIS APPARENTLY DISCRIMINATORY TREATMENT

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OF FOREIGNERS (I.E. BY UPPING SENTENCES OR GETTING STICKY ON CONDITIONALLIBERTY REQUESTS) WE WILL NEED TO PROVIDE BASIS FOR REPATRIATION (EXCHANGE) OF PAROLEES IN THE TREATY. THIS IS ANOTHER CAPABILITY WE NEED SOONEST SINCE SOME PROBLEM CASES MAY RECEIVE CONDITIONAL LIBERTY SHORTLY.

3. PLEASE ADVISE HOW SOON THE NEGOTIATION TEAM MAY BEGIN
ITS WORK IN LA PAZ AND ITS PROBABLE COMPOSITION, SO THAT
GOB CAN BE ALERTED.
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